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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MEDCOM Major Subordinate Commands

SUBJECT: National Health Information and Technology Week

- 1. The week of 7-13 November 2004 is National Health Information and Technology (HI&T) Week. I encourage you to recognize the significant contributions of health information management and technology professionals at your facility in providing first-rate service to our medical staffs and patients. These skilled professionals are playing and will continue to play a key role in the development, deployment, training, and sustainment of critical healthcare systems such as Composite Health Care System II, TRICARE Online, Enterprise Wide Referral and Authorization, and the Theater Medical Information Program suite of products.
- 2. This year, National HI&T Week has even greater meaning as it recognizes the importance of health information and technology working together. This year's theme is "Health Information Powered by Professionals." As the healthcare industry moves further to the information age, the role of Health Information Management professionals becomes even more critical. This special week provides an opportunity to learn more about the role these professionals play in the healthcare system, as well as recognize and celebrate their contributions to patient care, Soldier readiness, and cost containment.
- 3. Please join me in saluting these healthcare personnel as we celebrate National Health Information and Technology Week.
- 4. POCs are Mrs. Teresa Foley at DSN 761-3109 or commercial (703) 681-3109 and MAJ Timothy Rapp at DSN 761-8292 or commercial (703) 681-8292.

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